House Resolution No. 1063

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives enjoy a long, proud tradition of meeting their responsibilities to the citizens of this state while upholding the virtues represented by the "Glory of Missouri": Knowledge, Liberty, Equality, Law, Justice, Fraternity, Education, Progress, Honor, Truth, Virtue, Temperance, Enterprise, and Charity; and

Whereas, these virtues are engraved in the House Chamber of the State Capitol with the inscription: "All the foregoing human qualities bind into one theme, the Glory of Missouri because no people attain these virtues unless they are great."; and

Whereas, the "Glory of Missouri" virtues were engraved in the early 1920s under the direction of the Decorating Commission, which recognized their relevance and importance to the early Missouri Legislature; and

Whereas, the "Glory of Missouri" Award was created to encourage the values held by the early leaders of Missouri and to recognize those standards as exemplified in our schools and communities by this state's young people, the future of Missouri; and

Whereas, Sonya Li, a student at Lafayette High School, has been selected to receive the "Glory of Missouri" Award accomplishments in the area of EQUALITY as defined by the intent of the Decorating Commission for the Capitol in 1922: "Equality as intended by the Missouri Legislature in 1922 was not about equality in ability, but that all are equal before the law and that the good sportsmanship or our people will see to it that no one loyal to the principles of our government shall be hindered in the pursuit of life, liberty and happiness.":

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in commending Sonya Li for noteworthy achievements in the pursuit of "EQUALITY", and in extending heartfelt congratulations at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Sonya Li.

Offered by
Representative Jack Jackson
District No. 89
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of
Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second
Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and
correct copy of House Resolution No. 1063, adopted March
15, 2004.
Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker